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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Inventor:	D. Kleyer et al.)	
)	Group Art Unit: 2121
Serial No.:	10/579,485)	
)	Examiner: R. A. JARRETT
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Title **REDUNDANT AUTOMATION SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING A
TECHNICAL DEVICE, AND METHOD FOR OPERATING SUCH AN
AUTOMATION SYSTEM**

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Commissioner For Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

As set forth in the Office Action mailed October 06, 2008, the Examiner asserts that claims 12 and 17 (Group I), claims 16 and 18 (Group II) and claims 19 and 20 (Group III) are drawn to patentably distinct subject matter. The Examiner therefore requires Applicants to elect for examination the claims of Group I, Group II or the claims of Group III. In response, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute for examination purposes, the invention identified in Group II, claims 16 and 18.

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Conclusion

The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees due in connection with this paper, including fees for additional claims and terminal disclaimer fee, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2179.

Respectfully submitted,

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